

## EXAGGERATED AS USUAL

Mark Twain, Famous Humorist Turns up Safely

## WAS REPORTED TO BE LOST

Story Given Wide Publicity in New York Papers To-day Enables Mr. Clemens to Hand Out Another Joke.

New York, May 4.—Mark Twain had the pleasure to-day of repeating his celebrated statement that reports of his death have been greatly exaggerated. The story which was given wide publicity in the New York morning papers, had the famous humorist lost aboard H. H. Rogers' yacht Kanawah off Hampton Roads. According to the report Mr. Clemens and the crew had disappeared in a dense fog and storm that has prevailed off the coast for two days.

Clemens enjoyed the account of his death hugely, but declared after reading it that the only storm in which he had been lost recently, was the one precipitated by the action of Mrs. Sydney Rosenfeld, president of the Century Theatre club, who, at his presidential address at the club's booth at the actors' fund fair next week because of his opposition to Christian Science. "I am not aboard Mr. Rogers' yacht," he said, "I'm simply paddling my own canoe."

## ELOPERS WILLING TO GO BACK HOME

Jere K. Cooke, Unfrocked Rector, and Floretta Whaley, 17-Year-Old Girl Are Now in Peekskill, N. Y.

New York, May 4.—The deputy sheriff are on the way to Peekskill to arrest Jere K. Cooke, unfrocked and fugitive rector of St. George's Episcopal church at Hempstead, and Floretta Whaley, the 17-year-old girl, with whom he eloped. The minister will be charged with abduction and the girl will be held as witness pending instructions from her grandmother.

The district attorney's office was notified this morning by the chief of the Peekskill and the couple had been located in a small hotel there, when Cooke who appeared perfectly happy and unconcerned, found that he was recognized he admitted his identity and offered to go back to Long Island if assured protection from mob violence. He said that he had received letters threatening his life three days before he left and this was the main reason for his flight. The runaways came to Peekskill on a train from the direction of Albany last night.

## WANT WOMEN SEGREGATED. Proposition Enthusiastically Received at Cornell by Male Students.

Ithaca, N. Y., May 4.—The absolute segregation of the women students at Cornell from the men was proposed at the arts banquet in the Dutch kitchen last night and it was received with much enthusiasm. Prof. E. W. Olmstead of the French department advocated the establishment of a separate department of instruction for the women so that they might not come in contact with the male students and that they be segregated at a different time and have a separate class day and separate class officers. He was vigorously cheered. Other speakers including A. W. Dubois, president of the Men's association, Isaac Lande, senior class orator, and Louis Fawcett, 197, endorsed the views and attacked the joint attendance of the women with the men students as a hindrance to academic work and an occasion of disruption of class policies.

## WESTERN NEW YORK GETS SNOW STORM

And December Weather Prevails, Such as Has Not Been Known in May for Half a Century.

Buffalo, N. Y., May 4.—This city was struck by a storm today and December temperatures prevailed. Such weather has not been experienced in May in half a century.

## ATTACKED BY MAD CAT.

St. Albans Girl Seriously Hurt and Blood Poisoning Is Feared.

St. Albans, May 4.—Evelyn L'Euey, the 12-year-old daughter of Mr. and Mrs. Ernest L'Euey, is suffering from physical injuries and a severe nervous shock caused by a vicious house cat. While caressing the cat in her home on Elm street, without warning, attacked her with tooth and claw, badly lacerating her cheeks and neck. Blood poisoning is feared.

The cat never before had shown any such traits. At first time it was on the bed with the little girl. Her screams brought the whole family to the scene, where they found the cat trampling about the room like a mad animal, and it was several minutes before it could be captured and subdued.

## CROWDS GROW GREATER.

At Groves & Co's big sale of Brady's "doomed stock," 118 Main street the people come in droves. Nothing can stop them. They realize that never before in Barre's history has high grade up-to-date clothing, shoes, hats, furnishings, goods, etc., been sold at such ridiculously low prices. Now's the time while you can get first pick from the thousands of tremendous bargains, plainly marked and displayed, throughout the entire store. If you value money, join the crowd, and be on hand tonight and Monday to participate in the many remarkable money saving opportunities of this great event. G. W. Groves & Co.

## COTTON WORKERS TO GET MORE PAY

New Scale Agreed Upon at Fall River, Mass. Yesterday Afternoon, to Be in Force for Six Months.

Fall River, Mass., May 4.—Representatives of the Fall River cotton manufacturers and of the textile council at a conference yesterday afternoon, agreed upon a new scale of wages to be in force for six months. The terms of the agreement will not be made public until it has been acted upon by the various unions, which must ratify it in order to make it effective. It is generally believed that it provides for a substantial increase in the wages of the operatives.

It has been the general opinion for some time that the manufacturers were contemplating the adoption of a higher wage scale, and as the operatives believe that they should have 10 per cent. added to their present wages and it was generally thought last night that the fact that the textile council agreed to a new scale probably indicated that this percentage of increase would be granted.

The textile council will hold a meeting to-night to arrange for the meetings of the various unions at which votes will be taken upon the proposition. There appears to be little doubt that the unions will ratify the agreement and operatives and the general public felt happy last night in the prospect that the city would have at least six months of tranquil peace and prosperity.

## ST. JOHNSBURY COUPLE HONORED BY MANY

Mr. and Mrs. B. G. Howe Observed the 50th Anniversary of Their Wedding—Over 200 Gathered.

St. Johnsbury, May 4.—More than 200 friends of Mr. and Mrs. B. G. Howe gathered at the home of their daughter, Mrs. C. A. Cranston Thursday evening, to extend their congratulations upon their 50th wedding anniversary. Mr. and Mrs. Howe were assisted in receiving by their four children, Mrs. W. T. King of Bethel, Mrs. C. A. Cranston, Frederick E. Howe and Carl M. Howe, all of St. Johnsbury.

Music was furnished by an orchestra. Delicious refreshments were served, by the wives of the two sons, Mrs. Frederick B. Howe and Mrs. Carl M. Howe. During the day numerous telegrams were received from friends.

Benjamin George Howe was born in Salem, N. H., May 3, 1832. He was educated in the academies at Henniker and Hopkinton and taught school in both of these towns. He came to St. Johnsbury in 1875 and for more than 20 years was the owner and landlord of the Avenue House. Mr. Howe built a new hotel at the corner of Main and Elm streets, which he called the Howe House. He also built the opera house which adjoined it. Before Mr. Howe sold these properties he was the largest real estate owner in town. He retired from active business a few years ago.

Nancy A. Chase, wife of Mr. Howe, was born in Concord, N. H., Sept. 18, 1836. She was educated at the academies at Hopkinton and Boscawen, and taught school for several years, making her home at Contoocook, N. H. Here the couple were married 50 years ago in the Swedenborgian church by the Rev. Abiel Silver.

They have six children, two of them, Grace A. and Edward E., dying in infancy. Both Mr. and Mrs. Howe have been connected with the Church of the Messiah during their residence in St. Johnsbury.

## YOUNG CORBETT'S FATE.

Badly Beaten and Knocked Out By Kid Sullivan.

Baltimore, May 4.—Kid Sullivan of Washington last night knocked out Young Corbett of Denver in the eleventh round.

The match was fought before the Eureka Athletic club, and was scheduled to go fifteen rounds. In the rounds in which there was any particular advantage it was with Sullivan. Corbett showed that he was hurt as early as the second round, and in the fifth Sullivan knocked him through the ropes. Corbett was then in bad shape, but managed to last until the end.

Again in the seventh round Corbett was driven through the ropes. In the tenth he was in very bad shape, going to the floor for the count just before the end of the round.

In the eleventh both men showed that they were very tired. Corbett being near the point of exhaustion. He was being beaten about the ring when Sullivan landed a good right on the jaw and again Corbett went through the ropes, this time flat on his back with his head to the audience, where he lay while Referee Jack McLaughlin counted him out. Corbett, who was pounded too heavily, was carried to his corner and was not revived for many minutes.

## DIED ON FIRST BIRTHDAY.

"Your Magazine" Which Was Outlisted at Danville.

Danville, May 4.—"Your Magazine" completed its first year with the May issue and the editor, James H. Borland, announces its discontinuance. During the year the magazine has printed over 20 pages of interesting reading matter every month, including much historical material, poems by the editor and a serial by the editor entitled "Humbled by the Earthquake." Though limited in circulation "Your Magazine" has been a creditable addition to the literature of Vermont.

## FOR ILLEGAL FISHING.

Anthony Jerome of Ferrisburg Pays a Fine of \$20.

Middlebury, May 4.—Anthony Jerome of Ferrisburg was brought here yesterday afternoon by County Sheriff and Game Warden William H. Taft of Wallham and arraigned before Justice Fred M. Foote on a charge of illegal fishing with seine lines near the mouth of Otter Creek. State Attorney L. C. Russell conducted the case. Jerome pleaded guilty to the charge and was fined \$20 and costs, which he made arrangements to pay.

## SELECTMEN MUST SETTLE

For Liquor Sold to Swanton Licensees

## BY OFFICERS OF THE TOWN

C. C. Gilmore and F. D. Corliss Held Responsible for the Discharge of Mortgage When \$1,250 Was Still Due.

St. Albans, May 4.—The plaintiff in the suit of the town of Swanton against C. C. Gilmore and Fred D. Corliss, former selectmen of that town, was given a verdict in Franklin county court today by Judge Haselton to recover cost of liquor sold by the town and sold by the selection of C. J. McNally. Both sides immediately gave notice that they would take the case to supreme court on exceptions.

At the time when the local option law went into effect the defendants were selectmen of Swanton and sold what liquor the town had on hand to J. C. McNally, a licensee under the new license law, taking a chattel mortgage on the liquor. It was alleged that one year later and just before they went out of office the selectmen discharged the mortgage while there was yet \$1,250 due on the total valuation of the liquor of \$3,711.07. It was further claimed that McNally was not then financially responsible. The case was tried in executive session yesterday.

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## A PARTIAL SETTLEMENT.

Of Labor Difficulty in Burlington Building Trades.

Rutland, May 4.—Word has been received from Burlington, says the Union Signal, stating that the outside carpenters (Local 653), has secured a signed agreement with the Champlain Manufacturing company granting an increase of 25 cents per day, making the minimum wage \$2.75 for nine hours. The agreement went into effect on May 1st and is to run for two years without further change.

Everything is arranged satisfactory to the shop men's local, also, all woodworkers employed by the Champlain Manufacturing company being given a straight nine-hour day with the same pay received previous to March 7th for 10 hours. This was a formal ratification of an agreement that has been operative since March 7th, but the whole matter is now settled and the latter agreement is also to run for two years. The Shopmen's local has unanimously voted to affiliate with the state branch A. F. of L.

A joint conference having been held between General President Bowers of the International union of Bricklayers and Masons, Organizer Shields of the International Brotherhood of Carpenters and Joiners, Brother Cruikshank of the Vermont state branch A. F. of L. and committees representing the local carpenters and masons; the result of this conference will undoubtedly be given publicity in a manner deemed most fitting by the interest officials, and Signal readers will be furnished full information on the subject when said report is received.

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